

SA493566

Early 20thC brass five branch ceiling light

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA493566****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 18 cm (7.1")

Width = 28 cm (11.0")

Depth = 28 cm (11.0")

Description

Early 20th century brass five branch electric ceiling light fitting 22"diam x 12.5"h by F&C Osler. The firm of F & C Osler of London and Birmingham, were the leading makers of chandeliers and lighting during the nineteenth century. The glassworks were founded by Thomas Osler in 1807 in Birmingham and specialised in glass furniture and chandeliers for the overseas market. Thomas Osler was a scholar rather than businessman but when his sons (Follett and Clarkson Osler) joined him in the business they complemented his skills with their energy, which saw the firm thrive and a London house being opened in 1845. A commission from the ruler of Egypt (Ibrahim Pacha) for a pair of enormous Candelabra to place beside the tomb of the prophet Mahomet at Mecca, generated much interest and as a result Messrs Osler had the honour of a visit from HRH the Prince Consort. A second, even greater Candelabrum was designed by them and exhibited at the Exhibition of Industrial Arts in Birmingham, opened by the Prince Consort. It was this exhibition which gave Prince Albert the idea of a Great Exhibition in London. As a result by 1850 the firm had been commissioned to make the giant crystal ...

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